

REMARKS

Applicant has made all amendments necessary to address and overcome the present objections to claims 6, 24, 40, 44, and 51.

Applicant has made all amendments necessary to address and overcome the present rejections of claims 30, 55 and 56 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, for alleged indefiniteness.

Claims 89-92 have been canceled, mooted the rejection under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, for allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Rejections Under 35 USC §102 and 35 USC §103

The Examiner has indicated in this Office Action that the elected species of carrier comprising PEI, synthetic or natural polypeptide ligands, streptolysin O, and a polypeptide linker is free of the art, as are claims 18, 19, 27, 30, 35, 55, 56, 94, and 95. Claims 18, 19, 27, 35, 55, 94 and 95 are objected to as depending from a rejected claim but are indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form incorporating all of the limitations of the claims from which they depend.

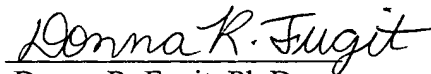
In the present amendments, Applicant has incorporated the limitations of the indicated dependent claims and all intervening claims into their respective independent claims as suggested.

CONCLUSION

Having incorporated the limitations of otherwise allowable claims into the rejected independent claims as suggested by the Examiner, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance. An action passing this case to issue is respectfully requested. If the Examiner is of the opinion that a telephone interview would be useful to resolve any remaining issues, he is invited to call the undersigned at the number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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